

REMARKS

Claims 1-40 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claim 41 has been newly added, and is similar in some respects to certain of claims 1-14 as filed. No new matter is introduced by the foregoing amendment to the claims.

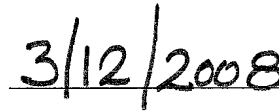
A timely and favorable consideration that results in the early allowance of claim 41 is respectfully requested.

The Applicants reserve the right to file at least one continuation/divisional application to continue the prosecution of claims 1-40 to allowance.

Respectfully submitted:



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